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SUBJ: TUNGSRAM/FAIRCHILD

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1. COMATT MET SEPT 25 WITH HARRY SELLO TO DISCUSS FAIRCHILD'S LATEST ROUND OF TALKS WITH TUNGSRAM. ACCORDING TO SELLO, MAGYARS CAN LIVE WITH MODIFICATIONS IN PROJECT (REF B), ALTHOUGH TUNGSRAM'S DIENES VISIBLY IRKED BY DENIAL OF LINEAR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT TESTER.

2. SELLO WILL CONTACT BEWT RE COCOM APPROVAL, WHICH HE HAS BEEN ASSURED IN WASHINGTON SHOULD BE FORTHCOMING. AFTER COCOM'S BLESSING, FAIRCHILD WILL REQUIRE ABOUT 18 MONTHS TO INSTALL TURNKEY PLANT AT STILL UNDETERMINED SITE.

3. FYI: WE HAVE LEARNED THAT HUNGARIANS WERE INDEED SERIOUS IN QUEST FOR ALTERNATE SOURCE OF TECHNOLOGY (BUDAPEST 2105 AND 1588). FIRM APPROACHED WAS JGS-ATES OF MILAN.

4. SELLO AGAIN MOST GRATEFUL FOR BEWT/EMBASSY ASSISTANCE. POST WILL CONTINUE PROVIDE FULL SUPPORT FOR THIS BLUE CHIP PROJECT. WE WILL ALSO GIVE DIENES CHANCE TO MEET SECRETARY MORTON DURING HIS OCTOBER VISIT TO BUDAPEST.
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